

THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | CHRIST THE KING November 26th, 2023 11:00 a.m.

It is the tradition of the Episcopal Church to maintain quiet in worship areas so that people may pray. Please help us preserve an atmosphere of quiet reverence before worship.

Please turn off all mobile phones when you enter the Cathedral and refrain from photography.

Let go of distractions and let the quiet and the music be sabbath gifts as we create sacred space and time together.

ORDER OF SERVICE

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: March on a theme by Handel

Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911)

INTROIT: Come, let's rejoice

John Amner (1579-1641)

Come, let's rejoice unto the Lord: let us make joy to God our Savior. Let us approach to his presence in confession: and in psalms let us make joy to him. Alleluia. [Text: Paraphrase of this morning's Proper Psalm 95]

All are invited to stand, as able.

HYMN: 450, "All hail the power of Jesus' Name"

CORONATION

THE WORD OF GOD

Celebrant Blessed are you, holy and living One.

All You come to your people and set them free.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

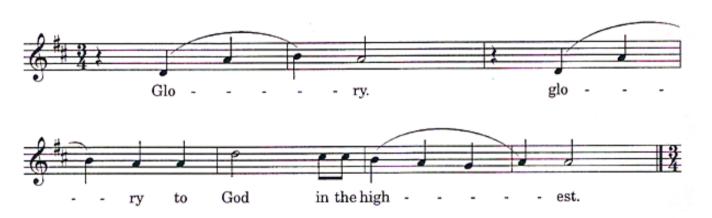
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

All are invited to remain standing, as able.

GLORIA: "Glory to God in the highest"

Festival Eucharist, Craig Phillips (b. 1961)

The refrains are sung by all, as indicated



Refrain (sung by all): Glory. Glory to God in the highest!

Choir: and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Refrain (sung by all): Glory. Glory to God in the highest!

Choir: Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

Refrain (sung by all): Glory. Glory to God in the highest!

Choir: For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Refrain (sung by all): Glory. Glory to God in the highest!

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

All are invited to be seated.

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be

their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

PSALM 95:1-7a: Sung by the choir

Sarah MacDonald (b.1968)

Venite, exultemus

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving * and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, * and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, * and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, * and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, * and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

HYMN: 382, "King of glory, King of peace" GENERAL SEMINARY

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:31-46

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left.

Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty

and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'

Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

The Rev. Canon Hailey Jacobsen

Silence for reflection.

All are invited to stand, as able.

THE NICENE CREED Said by all, standing

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM III

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

All are invited to add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

All And also with you.

All may greet one another in the Name of Christ.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The monetary gifts in the Sunday offering plate make God's dream for the American Cathedral in Paris come true. Please use the Offering Envelope for gifts by cash or check. To make gifts via the "virtual, electronic" offering plate, **please scan this QR code** or visit amcathparis.com/donate.



We encourage continued support of our project to renew the Cathedral's vestments in honor of Dean Harlan's new ministry.

If you would like to contribute to this, please donate on our website (https://amcathparis.com/donate) stating "Installation gift" in the notes. If you would like to donate by cheque or cash, please place your contribution in one of the offering envelopes and note "Installation gift" and your full name on it. Please send any contributions by December 31st.

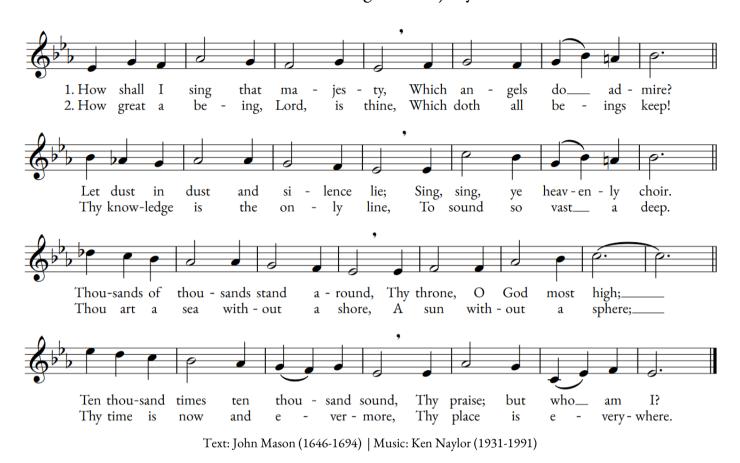
Les dons monétaires pour la quête du dimanche soutiennent le rêve de Dieu pour la cathédrale américaine de Paris. Veuillez utiliser l'enveloppe d'offrande pour les dons en espèces ou par chèque. Pour faire des dons via la quête « virtuelle ou électronique », merci de **scanner le QR code** ou de vous rendre sur <u>amcathparis.com/donate.</u>

HOLY COMMUNION

ANTHEM: Antiphon from Five Mystical Songs

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King. The heavens are not too high, his praise may thither fly: the earth is not too low, his praises there may grow: Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King. The Church with Psalms must shout, no door can keep them out: But above all, the heart must bear the longest part. Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King. (Text: George Herbert, 1593-1633)



GREAT THANKSGIVING (Eucharistic Prayer 1, from Enriching Our Worship)

All are invited to stand, as able.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

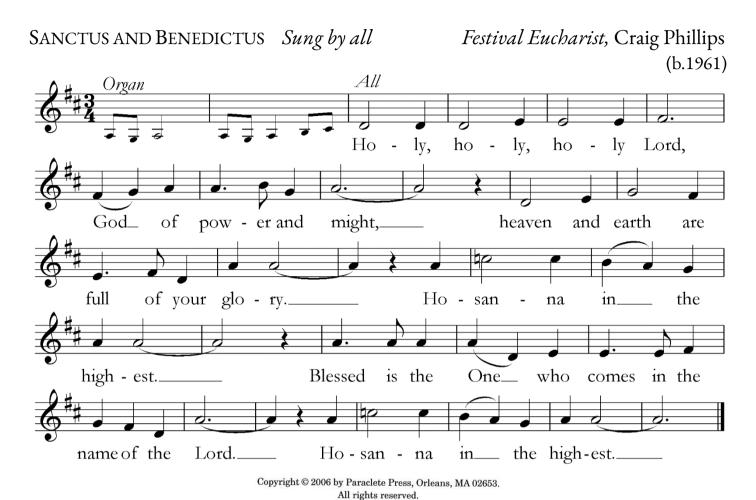
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body.

Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:



Celebrant

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving

himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

LORD'S PRAYER Said by each in their own language

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Notre Père qui es aux cieux, que ton Nom soit sanctifié, que ton règne vienne, que ta volonté soit faite sur la terre comme au ciel. Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de ce jour. Pardonne-nous nos offenses comme nous pardonnons aussi à ceux qui nous ont offensés. Et ne nous laisse pas entrer en tentation, mais délivre-nous du mal. Car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent le règne, la puissance et la gloire,

pour les siècles des siècles. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

AT THE FRACTION

Festival Eucharist, Craig Phillips (b.1961)

The Alleluia is sung by all and repeated after the choir sings the verse



Choir: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast.

All: Alleluia

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

COMMUNION

L'hospitalité eucharistique est offerte à toute personne, quelle que soit sa confession ecclésiale. You are invited to stand or kneel to receive communion. Please receive the bread (wafer) in the palm of your outstretched hands. In accordance with current guidelines provided by the Bishop, we are offering wine at communion. You are invited to take a small sip; please do not dip your wafer in the wine. Please inform an usher if you need communion brought to your pew. Sadly, we must be concerned about theft; please take your coat, purse, and other belongings with you as you leave the pew.

ANTHEM: Let all mortal flesh keep silence Sir Edward Cuthbert Bairstow (1874 - 1946)

Let all mortal flesh keep silence and stand with fear and trembling, and lift itself above all earthly thought. For the King of kings and Lord of lords, Christ our God, cometh forth to be our oblation, and to be given for Food to the faithful. Before Him come the choirs of angels with every principality and power; the Cherubim with many eyes, and wingèd Seraphim, who veil their faces as they shout exultingly the hymn: Alleluia! (Text: Cherubic Hymn from the Liturgy of St. James)

HYMN: 435, "At the Name of Jesus every knee shall bow"

KING'S WESTON

Verses 1-4 only

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

HYMN: 494, "Crown him with many crowns"

DIADEMATA

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: Coronation March "Crown Imperial"

William Walton (1902-1983) Our worship service concludes at the end of the organ voluntary during which our musicians and livestreaming team are still hard at work. Please avoid entering the chancel or the Martyrs' Chapel during this time and keep noise to a minimum.

Please join us for coffee hour (served in the Deans' Garden or the Parish Hall depending on the weather). We look forward to meeting you and welcoming you to the Cathedral community.

SERVING TODAY: Celebrant: The Rev. Canon Lissa Smith; Preacher: The Rev. Canon Hailey Jacobsen; Assistant Priest: The Very Rev. James R. Harlan; Canon Precentor and Director of Music: Zach Ullery; Organist: Andrew Dewar; Choir: The Cathedral Choir; Ushers: Rhoderic Bannatyne, Bess Gonglewski, Sophie Lefebvre; Lectors: Chris Barnes, Harriet Rivière; Eucharist Ministers: Jocelyn Phelps, Kim Powell, Michel Ranson; Flower Guild: Chris Barnes; Livestream Production: Gaël de Fournas.

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Prayer List

We pray for those in need of healing, who are in grief, or have any special needs, especially Bonifacio, Dennis, the Echevet and De Villiers family, Lucy, Michelle, Betsy, David, Hervé, Elizabeth, Melissa, Jeremy, Françoise and Eleanor. We pray for those who have died, especially Olivier Echevet and Christian Rivière.

We prayer for peace in the Middle East and support for the ongoing relief efforts.

Prayer requests may be sent to us at: communications@americancathedral.org.

We will offer them to God at our daily service of Noonday Prayer.

The flowers are offered to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for the time the Rev. Canon Lissa Smith spent with us at the Cathedral.

On this Feast of Christ the King, the floral decoration is inspired by the appointed psalm 95:

Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Welcome!

Welcome to The American Cathedral in Paris. We are so glad you're with us. Whether in person or online, for a short time or a lifetime, sure in faith or full of doubt, you belong here.

Building on our past and our journey towards inclusion, we strive to create a future of faith, love, and charity. Let's do it together. Give us a call, send an email, or find us at coffee hour—we can't wait to get to know you.

Contact information for the clergy, staff and vestry can be found at <u>amcathparis.com/leadership</u>.

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Bulletin deadline: Please note that the deadline for announcements to feature in the bulletin and e-letter has moved to Wednesday 12:00 p.m.

Any notices or prayer requests received after this will be included the following week. Please contact Rosie Ward on communications@americancathedral.org if you have any questions.

Livestreaming: Please note that we are livestreaming this service. If you do not wish to appear on the livestream, please sit behind the first five pews. Thank you.

Pour info cet office est retransmis en direct. Si vous ne souhaitez pas apparaître sur le livestream, veuillez-vous asseoir derrière les cinq premiers bancs. Merci beaucoup.

Music Notes | A Multitude of Voices

In an effort to create a fuller and more inclusive picture of the richness of our musical heritage, we will be exploring music composed by women, BIPOC, and other historically under-represented composers.

This fall we will be focusing on women composers, including music composed by Sarah MacDonald, Mel Bonis, Jessica French, Stephanie Martin, Joy-Leilani Garbutt, and others. Despite being historically under-represented in the musical canon, women have been active contributors to all eras and styles of music from antiquity to contemporary.

This morning's psalm chant was composed by **Sarah MacDonald**. Sarah was born in Canada and now lives in the United Kingdom where she is Director of Music at Selwyn College, Cambridge (the first woman to hold such a position in an Oxbridge chapel) and head of the girl choristers at Ely Cathedral.

In an effort to create a new experience in communal worship, we will also be exploring the wealth of lesser-known hymnody. Each month, we will be singing a hymn at the presentation that hopefully no one knows! This experience allows us as a worshipping community to experience something new together. So please remember to make a joyful noise...even if it feels unfamiliar and a little uncomfortable!

Coming Up

2023 Pledge Fulfillment: A Call to Give, A Call to Shape the Future

We are deeply grateful for your faithful, generous financial support that makes the ongoing mission of our Cathedral community possible. As we come to the end of the Church's liturgical year & as the end of the calendar year is fast approaching, now is the time to ensure the fulfillment of your 2023 pledge balance or indeed to make a donation...... It is never too late!

For information about your pledge, it's completion or making a donation, please visit amcathparis.com/donate or contact Anne Pouret & Chris Barnes on pledge@americancathedral.org

December 13th at 7:00 p.m. | Race, Justice, and American Democracy An Evening with Robert P. Jones and Greg Garrett

Join Cathedral Dean James Harlan for a conversation with the authors of two acclaimed new books wrestling with questions of race and justice. Dr. Robert P. Jones, author of the New York Times bestselling *The Hidden Roots of White Supremacy*, is the Founder and President of PRRI (the Public Religion Research Institute).

Dr. Greg Garrett is the author of *The Gospel according to James Baldwin*, the Carole McDaniel Hanks Professor of Literature and Culture at Baylor University in Texas, and a longtime visiting theologian at the American Cathedral. Drs. Jones and Garrett regularly engage in conversation on racism, religion, and white Christian nationalism, but the American Cathedral is delighted to host their first conversation together outside of the States, generously sponsored by Baylor University and the Baugh Family Foundation. A reception will follow.

Robert P. Jones is the author of the American Book Award Winner *The End of White Christian America*, the Grawemayer Prize awardee *White Too Long*, and the new *The Hidden Roots of White Supremacy*. He also writes for *TIME*, *The Atlantic*, *Religion News Service*, and *Baptist News Global*. PRRI, which he founded, is an essential polling resource on race, religion, and politics, and Dr. Jones and PRRI are widely cited in such outlets as MSNBC, NPR, *Salon*, *The Washington Post*, and *Newsweek*.

Greg Garrett is the author of thirty books on race, religion, politics, and culture, including *A Long, Long Way: Hollywood's Unfinished Journey from Racism to Reconciliation* and *In Conversation: Rowan Williams and Greg Garrett*. He has been interviewed by outlets including BBC News, NPR, the *Los Angeles Times*, News Talk Dublin, and *The Spectator*, has been featured in both live and virtual "Evenings with an Author" at the American Library in Paris, and delivered a 2020 Thurber Lecture to the American Church in Paris from his bedroom in Austin, Texas.

Contemplation and Compline

Contemplation and Compline meets every Wednesday evening in the Cathedral nave from 9:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Compline is the night prayer of the church and a peaceful way to end the day. It draws us closer to ourselves, our neighbor, and God. We assemble in silence, and then our voices join together to pray in loving, inclusive, expansive language for our needs and the needs of our siblings in Christ.

Everyone is welcome to join, and to bring their friends - the service is LGBTQ+ friendly, bilingual in English and French, and a large-print bulletin is provided.

Save the date | Future Choral Services

We have a range of exciting choral events coming up over the next few months both in person and online. All are welcome!

- December 3rd: Advent Lessons and Carols: 6:00 p.m. (online and in person)
- December 16th: Christmas Lessons and Carols: 4:00 p.m. (in person only)
- December 17th: Christmas Lessons and Carols: 6:00 p.m. (online and in person)

Christmas Pageant | Sunday, December 17th at 11:00 a.m.

Please join us at the 11:00 a.m. service on Sunday, December 17th. In addition to a Children and Youth Sermon, there will be our annual Christmas pageant.

We are really excited about this service which will be a Christmas Lessons and Carols featuring young people and children reading and playing various roles in the Christmas story. We will also be joined by the Children and Youth Choirs singing Christmas hymns and songs.

Any and all children are welcome to participate. Please contact the Sunday School Director, Andrew Aitken on <u>cathedral.sundayschool@gmail.com</u> to let us know your child would like to join in our festive preparations. Rehearsals for the pageant will take place during the Sunday, 11:00 a.m. services today, December 3rd and December 10th with a dress rehearsal after the service on December 10th.

"Love in a Box (LIAB)" is now "Love in a Backpack"!

The Love in a Box (LIAB) program is a cherished annual tradition bringing the joy of the holidays to children in need. For over 20 years, as part of our Cathedral Mission & Outreach program, we have worked with schools and community partners Paris-wide, coordinating the preparation and distribution of gifts to numerous charities throughout France. This year, instead of boxes, backpacks will be filled with many goodies, toys, and practical gifts that will bring great joy to hundreds of children of all ages. Join us and be part of the "Love in a Backpack" giving joy!

Please contact Mission & Outreach with any queries on mission.outreach@americancathedral.org.

Sunday, November 26th

Empty gift backpacks (with instructions for filling) will be distributed following the 11:00 a.m. service. Filled backpacks are to be returned by December 3rd. There will also be a community drive to fill backpacks at the Cathedral during coffee hour on Sunday, November 26th. All are welcome!

Blessing of the Backpacks | Sunday, December 3rd

We will be blessing the prepared backpacks during the 11:00 a.m. service on Sunday, December 3rd.

Clothing Drive

In addition to the "Love in a Backpack" project, we are also collecting lightly-worn, clean, warm clothing items to donate to those in need. Please bring contributions for children ages 7+, men and women on November 19th, 26th and December 3rd at the 11:00 a.m. service.

Please contact Mission & Outreach with any queries on mission.outreach@americancathedral.org

Paris Choral Society | Mendelssohn's "Elijah" & Dett's "The Chariot Jubilee" November 30th at 8:00 p.m. & December 2nd at 6:00 p.m.

Join the Paris Choral Society and Open Orchestra under the baton of Zach Ullery for a performance of Mendelssohn's oratorio Elijah which tells the story of the prophet's life and faith, ending with his ascension into heaven on a fiery chariot.

To compliment this work, the choir will perform the captivating "The Chariot Jubilee" by Dett which is thought to be the first-ever symphonic work based solely on African-American spirituals. For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit https://parischoralsociety.org/

Paris Choral Society | Handel's "Messiah" Sing-Along December 10th at 3:00 p.m.

Get ready for Christmas with the Paris Choral Society's 29th Messiah Sing-Along. You can join the choir for the afternoon, singing six choruses before concluding with the famous "Hallelujah" chorus. For more information and tickets, please visit https://parischoralsociety.org/

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Three Things to Know

An enormous thank you to the **Rev. Canon Lissa Smith** for spending the past few months at the Cathedral with us. Please join us in the Parish Hall after the service to wish her "bon voyage"!

Please join LAGV for their free concert, **Les Dimanches Musicaux**, this afternoon featuring Ha Tran on the piano. **Please note the different start time for this week only of 5:00 p.m.**

Please join us next week, **Sunday December 3rd at 6:00 p.m.** for our service of **Advent Lessons and Carols.** This is a beautiful service as we enter into Advent and prepare for the Christmas season. This service will be available both in person and online.

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